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Fatal accident

by Tamara Collins

On Wednesday morning just before 9 a.m., a motor vehicle accident, just one km south of Didsbury on Range Road 2, took the life of a local man and sent two women to the Foothills Hospital, in Calgary, for treatment of injuries.

Leonard John Siemens of Carstairs, known to most as Dino, and his wife Janet were travelling north in a Honda Accord when a Ford Taurus, travelling south, lost control and struck the Honda head on. Leonard was found dead at the scene. Neither Janet, or the driver of the Taurus injuries were considered life threatening. A four year old child was also riding in the Taurus, but suffered no injuries as the child was in a car seat.

The driver of the Taurus has now been released from hospital.

According to Cst. Reister of the Didsbury RCMP speed was not a factor in the accident, but it was a result of bad weather and poor road conditions. Police do not anticipate any charges will be laid against the driver of the Taurus.

"If you don't need to go out in conditions like that, then don't," said Cst. Reister. "And if you have to, take it very slow."



photo by Tamara Collins

Fatal Motor Vehicle Collision

Wednesday morning at 8:50 a.m., a Ford Taurus heading south on Range Road 2, between Didsbury and Carstairs, lost control and hit a Honda Accord head on. The driver of the Honda was found deceased at the scene. The passenger of the Honda, and the two people in the Taurus were all taken to hospital.

MVC's appeal board denies residents request

By Shawne Mohl and
Tamara Collins

Mountain View County's (MVC) Subdivision Development Appeal Board denied an appeal, submitted by resident Dwayne Berreth, regarding a development permit for the new Administrative Building.

Berreth's property is adjacent to the site where the new building is proposed to be located, which is near the Olds/Didsbury Airport.

Berreth's main concerns

were the future of his water supply and the possibility of the County's parking lot contaminating his dugout, which his cattle drink out of.

The development is proposed to be built next to a coulee, which is owned by Berreth. The dugout is only about half a mile down the coulee, and Berreth feels that the oils and fuels from vehicles that will be in the County's parking lot will wash down into the coulee and contaminate the dugout.

"It doesn't take that much

oil to contaminate water," he told the appeal board, earlier this month on April 2.

Despite the appeal being denied, the appeal board added one condition to the development permit, which states: "The applicant (the County) shall take or cause to be taken such steps as may be required to prevent silt and construction debris from entering Deadrick Coulee during the period of construction of the County Administration Building and the two

Ancillary Buildings."

Berreth says that he is frustrated and upset with the appeal board's decision to turn down his appeal, saying that his concerns were quite valid and this building is just going to see agriculture within the County go downhill.

"(My main concerns were) my water levels and the possible contamination of my dugout, half a mile down the hill, which are still of concern to me and weren't addressed," he said. "They addressed one issue about the pos-

sible silt being washed into my property because of construction and the Board recommended that that be addressed. But, it's far from over."

Berreth, a grain and beef producer, has worked his land which he purchased from his mother's estate for the past 55 years.

He says that by building this administrative building at this location, it will affect his livelihood, and reduce his property value.

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IN THE COURTS

Jail time for repeat drunk driver

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A Sundre-area woman convicted of her fourth drunk driving offence has been jailed.

Darcy Marie McBean, 50, pleaded guilty on April 14 to a charge of driving with a blood alcohol level greater than 80 mg per cent.

An off-duty RCMP officer spotted the accused driving on the wrong side of the road in Sundre early on the morning of Feb. 1, court heard.

The officer pulled in front of the accused's vehicle to get her to stop. An on-duty officer was then called to arrest McBean.

The accused's blood alco-

hol level was 180 mg per cent at the time.

She has previous drunk driving convictions in 1993, 1989 and 1986.

Saying Parliament has taken special steps to combat rising instances of drunk driving - steps including setting minimum sentences for convictions -

Judge M. Delong sentenced McBean to 60 days in jail and prohibited her from driving for 18 months.

Man hit boy

A 39-year-old man who repeatedly punched a 16-year-old boy following an argument over the boy's use of the internet has been placed on probation.

James McArthur pleaded guilty on April 14 to one charge of assault. He was sentenced by Judge Delong.

The accused and the victim got into an argument on Dec. 13, court heard.

After chasing the victim into a trailer near the residence, the accused punched the boy twice in the chest and once in the arm.

The accused, who has not prior criminal record, admitted being under the influence of alcohol at the time of the incident.

"I'm sorry that it ever occurred," McArthur told the judge. "I shouldn't have lost my temper."

The judge handed McArthur a suspended sentence, including probation, and fined him \$50.

April 21 for plea.

Bell's brother Stuart, who remains in custody, made his fifth court appearance on Friday, adjourning his case to May 14 for plea. Stuart faces the same charges as his brother.

Police say two men grabbed the 92-year-old Alyce Francis by the legs, lifted her up and then dropped her head first onto a floor in her home on March 3.

Francis suffered neck and back injuries in the incident and is recovering at home.

Bell brothers make court appearance

by Dan Singleton

One of two twin brothers charged with attempted murder and aggravated assault after a 92-year-old Carstairs woman was attacked in her home seven weeks ago will be back in court this week.

Kenneth Bell, 50, who is out on bail, made his sixth court appearance in Calgary on Friday. He adjourned his case until

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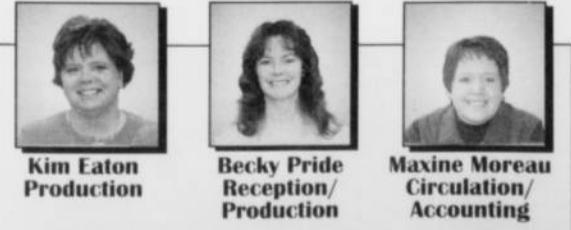
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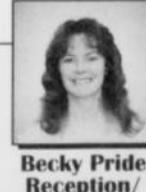
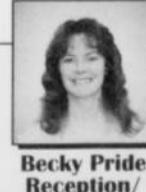
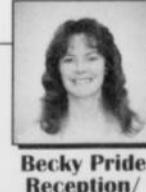
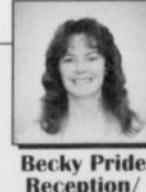
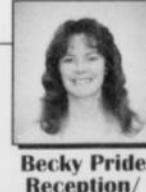
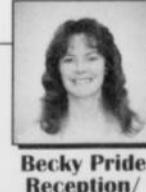
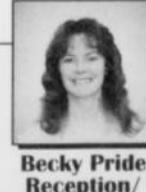
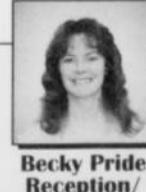
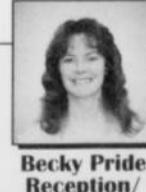
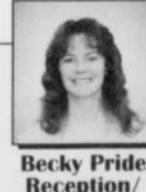
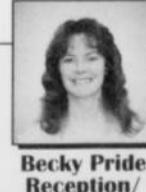
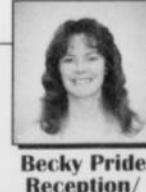
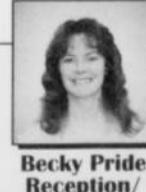
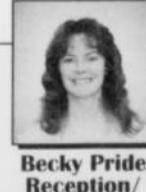
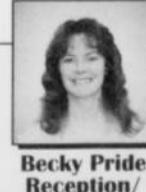
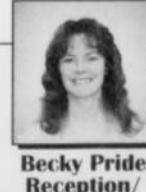
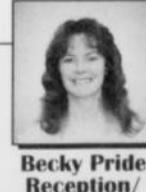
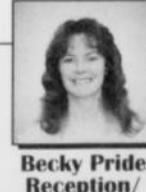
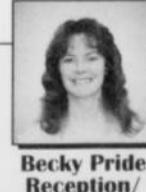
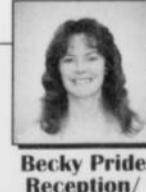
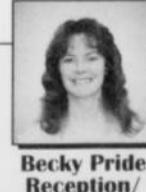
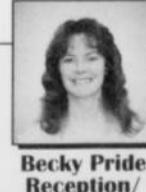
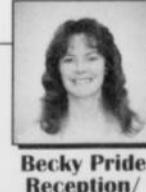
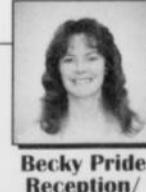
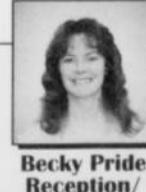
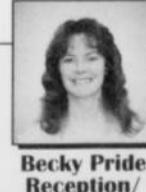
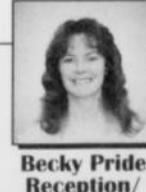
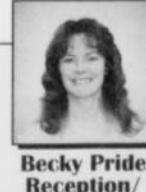
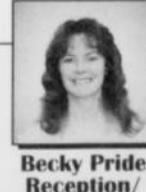
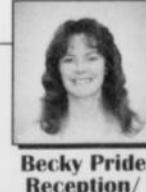
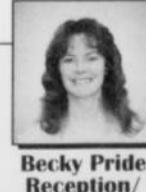
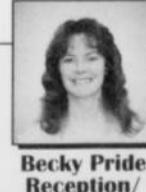
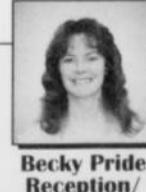
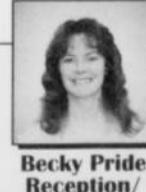
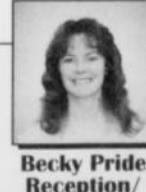
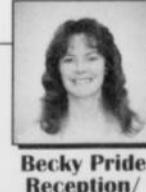
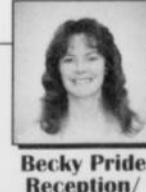
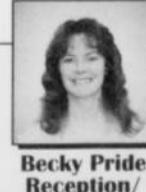
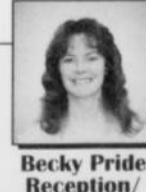
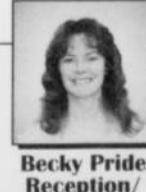
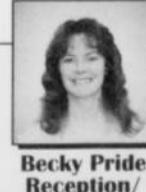
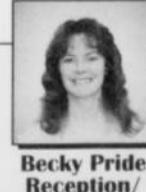
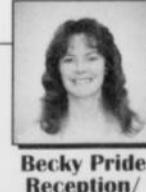
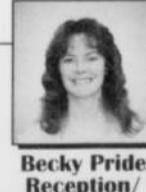
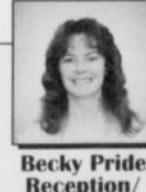
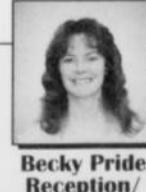
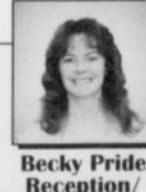
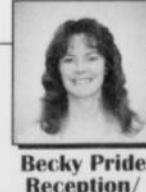
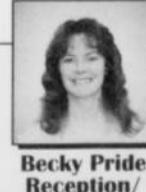
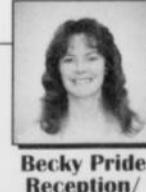
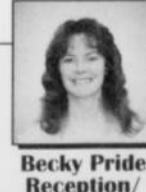
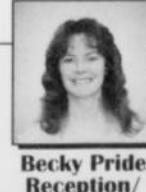
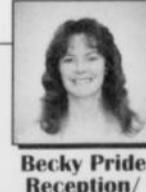
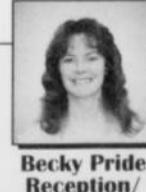
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NEWS

Highway 2 will see summer expansion, changes

RCMP applaud governments decision to widen medians

By Shawne Mohl

With Highway 2 being one of the main arteries in Alberta's transportation system, the Province is making some changes locally to make the four lane highway safer and more logical, government officials say.

This coming summer drivers of the four lane highway, in the Carstairs and Didsbury area, are going to have to find their patience, because the Province will be conducting a major median expansion from the Acme overpass (north of Airdrie) all the way north to nearly the Didsbury overpass.

"We will be pushing the two lanes of traffic (further) apart from one another," explained Les Hempsey, Project Director for the North/South Corridor.

The current median, which isn't much wider than some sidewalks, will at least double in size, Hempsey said, adding that he didn't know the exact dimensions.

Tenders for the project closed last Friday, which means that construction crews should begin work as early as next month.

During construction there will still be two lanes of traffic - both north and south bound - although the speed in which traffic will be required to travel will be reduced significantly, Hempsey added.

"What we will do, during construction, is just move the lanes over and use the shoulder of the road, which is quite large, for traffic to drive on," he explained.

A portion of the outside lane, commonly referred to as the fast lane, will be taken off and will become part of the median, while the right shoulder will be paved and further expanded - to ensure that the two

lanes of traffic are still wide enough for traffic to travel upon.

"This is a safety issue. We have the unfortunate habit of people who are travelling too close to one another in opposite lanes to be involved in head on collisions - and hopefully this will reduce the number of fatalities and accidents," Hempsey said.

Didsbury RCMP Cpl. Conal Archer says he applauds the governments decision to expand the highway's medians, and he also hopes it will reduce the number of fatalities which occur along highway 2.

"We are always driving out to (highway 2) for collisions, many of which have been fatal," Archer said. "Any widening of that median would be of a significant advantage."

Archer says he lost count of the number of times that people crossed over the small median into oncoming traffic in all types of driving conditions. He hopes that by

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widening these medians many of these accidents can be prevented.

Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills MLA Richard Marz says that the Transportation Department is often under tight budgets, so it's always a tough job when deciding where the funds should be allocated. He did, however, agree that highway 2 should be a priority with the high traffic counts as it acts as Alberta's major trade corridor.

"Again it's a question of priorities," Marz said. "When you are looking at Highway 2 building (a larger) barrier for safety is important, and you always have to look at that. When you get traffic counts, it's important to take all safety precautions."

CROSS ROADS TO BE PHASED OUT

The crossroads, which are common in the local area, which allow farmers and other rural traffic to cross highway 2 without having to drive to the closest overpass are in the governments plans to be totally eliminated in the near future.

Humpsey says that the Province views highway 2 as more of a freeway, than just a highway, and feels it would cut down on a number of accidents if local rural traffic were forced to travel to the nearest overpass.

"This is something that will happen over time, it won't be an instant thing," Humpsey said. "It's all about safety and efficiency."

These roads are most commonly used by farmers who own land on either side of highway 2, as well as by many residents who live in the country.

Once this project is completely in place, there won't be any other way to get onto highway 2 - besides going to the closest overpass and merging onto the highway.

Marz says he understands the frustration that this may cause some rural residents, but he says that highway 2 is just too big for local traffic to use these crossroads any further and supports the governments decision to close the crossroads.

"When you get traffic counts like this - it's very hard to find a spot you can even cross at," he said. "For safety, you have to do these types of things."

The total cost of either project wasn't known as of present time.



Flowers

photo by Shawne Mohl

Patty Slobodian of La Greenhouse, just west of Carstairs, was busy preparing potted flowers for garden enthusiasts. Above, she tends to some of the flowers available at her greenhouse.

School division hiring safety officer

by Dan Singleton

Sundre.

In response to several recent incidents, including the theft of chemicals from a lab in Sylvan Lake that were later used to poison several students, the Chinook's Edge School Division will hire a safety officer, say officials.

The officer will monitor science labs, playgrounds, industrial shops, school buses, and other areas, said Chinook's Edge chairman Roy Brassard.

"We thought maybe there was a wake-up call here somewhere," said Brassard.

"We felt that one individual who could cover the entire region would serve everyone best."

"We realized that we were leaving this critical area up to interpretation by a lot of people and we felt even having a consultant brought in wouldn't bring the educational background and the in depth identification with the situation."

"We decided that we would hire somebody that would be on staff, that would develop a very personal knowledge of what's involved."

The officer will conduct ongoing inspections at all 39 schools in the division, including those in Olds, Didsbury and

Chinook's Edge school buses travelled more than four million kilometres during the 2002-2003 school year.

The divisions new safety officer will be hired once applications are received and reviewed. The exact cost of hiring the new officer will be determined later, he said.

OPINIONS EDITORIAL

Sad loss



TAMARA COLLINS
EDITORIAL

is clearly at a great loss.

The focus of Dino's business was to help people be located. His signs are all over Didsbury and surrounding areas.

I hope these symbols of him everywhere are a comfort to those who knew him well and will miss him dearly.

I would just like to offer my deepest sympathy to all Dino's family and friends, particularly to his wife Janet and his children.

You will remain in my thoughts and prayers. I am very sorry for your great loss.

Wonderings of the heart

by Margaret Fradley

"April Showers"

There is a saying that I am sure we are all familiar with, "April showers bring May flowers" - come springtime we all experience those April showers, for some, steady rain, for any length of time brings a sense of depression (we would much prefer those beautiful blue Alberta skies), for some, it is difficult to get out and about; for others it spoils picnic or other events planned. At the time we do not always appreciate them.

However, we soon discover that these showers bring a sense of cleansing, a freshness, a softening of the soil for spring growth; everything begins to look clean and fresh, trees begin to bud, flowers awaken from their long winter nap. We realize these very rains are bringing forth that which we have been looking for.

As I pondered this, I began to think of how much this is like our lives; there come times when things look bleak, and dark, when sudden decisions have to be made, challenges confront us; times of sadness, remorse, tragedy, heartache, come into our lives. But as I pondered, I thought that like those spring rains this too, can bring about good, it can bring a freshness into our lives, a new strength, a fresh trusting, a realizing that friends are there for us, a new realization that there is "One" who cares, who knows our every need, and who will never leave us or forsake us. As the freshness of spring follows the rainy season, our "Provider" will bring that into each of our lives, that is required to bring healing and peace. He will put a new song in our hearts.

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Thompson Tours The 'New' Wild Rose



Myron Thompson,
Member of Parliament
for Wild Rose

Myron Thompson, Member of Parliament for Wild Rose spent the Easter break getting acquainted with the 'new' riding of Wild Rose.

"Once Paul Martin decides to call the election, the electoral boundaries of Wild Rose will change dramatically. In my opinion it will still be the most beautiful riding in all of Canada, yet it will be even a greater

challenge to serve the people," said Thompson.

"The new riding will still have the bulk of 101,600 residents in the main centres of Airdrie and Cochrane, yet there are population centres in the north with Nordegg and Caroline and in the southwest corner of the riding with Canmore, Banff and Lake Louise, where access is limited by mountain ranges and the Bow and North Saskatchewan rivers.

This will be complicated in the winter months, since many of these routes are simply impassable," stated Thompson.

"Now more than ever, my toll free phone number (1-800-667-0410) will be needed, since many constituents are well beyond three hours away from my constituency office in Airdrie," said Thompson.

"It's with a very heavy heart that I will no longer be able to serve the people of Strathmore, Chestemere Lake and the surrounding areas.

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Myron Thompson

They have been great people to work with for the past ten years," stated Thompson.

"I hope to be able to serve the people in the 'new' Wild Rose as effectively and I would encourage anyone that wishes to meet with me to please contact my office for an appointment," concluded Thompson.

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FROM THE MAILBAG

The steady moving away from what is good and right

Dear Editor:

I was quite disappointed by your last editorial and the kind of reasoning that your article is based on. You did bring out some truth, but sadly went the wrong way with it. You are right in seeing some of the problems that exist, ie. 2 strangers going off to Vegas to get married, single parent families, children without parents, children in homes with unhappy marriages, young women giving birth every day and that kids will always be bugged.

The fact is that a lot of these problems have come about because of the steady moving away from what is good and right and the lack of addressing them as they start. Your observations confirm what happens when we are not vigilant in addressing these problems and deviations as they arrive and the kind of impact it has on society.

In order to come up with a proper view of what is right and wrong it must be rational, reasonable and scientifically sound, it cannot just be based on opinions for the following reasons. First of all, it is required that it be established as to whether or not there is absolute truth or not. If there is no absolute truth, then nothing can ever be called right or wrong, good or bad because then it is just one person's or group of people's opinions against another and every time the bullies will win out. This is called tolerance in our society. It means that the "politically correct" people can tell everyone else what they believe and insist that everyone side with them, yet they are not willing to respect the different opinions of others, and insist that the others change their views and embrace theirs. What also happens in this scenario is that everyone has a different idea of what good or right is. So then, who determines what is good for a society? Is it government? The people? The judges? The religious? What happens when different groups or people have different ideas as to what is good? If the government decides it is good to up the taxes, does that mean it is good? If the people decide not to pay taxes, how does health care get funded? If the judges decide against the opinion of most people that killing unborn children is right or good, does that mean it is right or good? If a religion says that you should kill children and sacrifice them, does that make it good or right? When there is no absolute truth, history shows us that it will always end up in the destruction and fall of a society because everyone just does what they want and the strongest win out and the weak are abused or killed. The root of this type of thought is the unscientific, illogical and unreasonable theory of evolution that people are being brainwashed with. When you really look at the tenants of evolution, they absolutely do not make

sense. First of all, evolution cannot explain the beginning of everything or anything, it always starts with something part way through. Second, it goes against the laws of nature, everything always goes from a higher state to a lower state, from organization to disorganization. Third, it puts forth that just throwing time at something will give something a chance to happen. Fourth, somehow, something inanimate is going to all of a sudden become alive?????? No matter how much time you give something, that transition from inanimate to life is still going to have to be momentary. Fifth, even when you have a one celled being, how does it just "happen" to multiply? Move on to fast forward a bit. How does chance ever design the complexity of a species which requires a male and female for reproduction?

You would have to "by chance" have two mutations simultaneously going on at the same time and in the same place with one developing into a female and one into a male with complete reproductive organs that will compliment the other. I just do not have the amount of faith required to believe this kind of absurdity!! Even if that was granted, you would still have to have an incredibly larger amount of mutations that did not make it (ie missing links) than you would of those that did make it into a "higher" being because if mutations are only "accidents", there would be very many more "accidents" that did not go on than there would be

of those ones that did "progress". These just do not exist, science confirms that.

About the best that evolutionists find are some mutations from existing species. The whole idea of evolution actually calls for some kind of intelligence (whatever they may call it) because how would something even know how to better itself, move to a higher level or even think?

In the light of the scientific evidence and logic, evolution is just not realistic or viable. This leaves us then with Creation as the explanation for how we came to be. Science, historic evidence and reason (which I will not go into today) show us that Creation is true. Creation explains and accounts for what we see around us. This then leads us to the obvious conclusion of a Creator (which we normally call God).

Often, this view is explained away by calling it religious, and by implication, suggesting it therefore is invalid. The truth of the matter is that evolution and creation are two views of how we came to be, and only one can be true, they are mutually exclusive. Since therefore Creation is

The winner of Rosebud Community Club's rose bowl was Mark and Valerie Fleming of Didsbury, ticket #272 (License #731311). The ticket was drawn April 3 at the Memorial Complex.

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true, there is a Creator who designed the Creation and set up the rules and laws by which it is going to operate. If these rules and laws are violated, there are consequences, ie. if you jump from a tall building, you will hit the ground and go splat whether you believe it or not.

It is important, in the light of so many different ideas about who this Creator is, to investigate the facts thoroughly to establish the truth. It will not do to just say they can all be true because that in effect says that none are true, that these are just someone's idea or fantasy and then you are back to evolution which is impossible, irrational and unscientific.

The reason as to why it is important to determine the truth is at least twofold. For one thing, it helps us to avoid going "splat" when we do not know

the laws that are in place and we face the consequences of our actions. Secondly, it is important for our eternal destiny. It may be comforting to think that evolution would be nice so that we just disappear into decay and not face any eternal consequences of our lives, but the truth is that the Creator has set up laws and given us the freedom to choose our way. At the same time He has also set up consequences for disobeying the laws and directions that He has set up.

So we are free to have our own beliefs and choose how we are going to live our lives, but we will face the consequences of those beliefs and actions because our beliefs will not change reality, just like jumping off a tall building and believing that we will not hit the ground hard will change that fact.

see MOVING Page 16

A Community Discussion on

THE NEW DIDSURY PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Chinook's Edge School Division No. 73 is pleased that it has been approved to build a new \$7.8 million dollar public high school. We are now beginning the exciting process of designing the 4200 square meter facility. We believe your input is important and we would like to invite you to a public meeting to discuss the plans for the new high school.

MEETING TIME & PLACE

Wednesday, April 21, 2004
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TOWN OF DIDSURY PUBLIC MEETINGS

- MPC: May 5, 2004 • Community Services: April 27, 2004

NEW DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

The following Development Permits have been issued for the following proposed developments:

- | | | | | |
|------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------|-----|
| • DP 14-04 | 42 Meadowview Court | Single Family Dwelling | With Water | R2 |
| • DP 16-04 | SW Corner of | Demolish horse barns | | REC |
| | 1702-21 Avenue | | | |
| • DP 17-04 | #54, 1190 - 15 Avenue | Deck / Shed | | R3 |

Further information may be obtained at the Town Office, 2037 - 19Ave, or by calling 335-3391. Persons wishing to appeal any of these decisions must do so in writing, with the appropriate fees, to the secretary, Development Appeal Board, prior to 4:30 p.m. on May 5, 2004

Robert Wigg - Development Officer

NEWS

Appeal

continued from front page

"This is my livelihood and there have been statements made by the Reeve and by County Council that they are protecting farm agriculture land."

Well, they sure aren't protecting mine, plus they are taking land out of production for this development," Berreth added.

Berreth feels that if the County's administration building is constructed at this location that it will prevent him from working his land the way is always has, and he is scared he may have to change some of his farming practices which he has used for decades.

"Farming is a way of life. You can't help it. You are living in it. And, when you see it going down hill like that, and it will go down hill, it won't take long and they will be coming over and saying, 'you can't spread that manure, or stop that dust.'"

Berreth's appeal was based on five concerns, which includes: 1) A change in water quality as a result of new development; 2) A potential reduction in water flow; 3) Increased traffic in the area; 4) Increased noise during construction; 5) Safety of the access road.

Berreth condemned the County for not approaching him prior to the construction of the building, saying that they are not acting as responsible neighbours.

"If they were half decent neighbours, and the County is my neighbour because they own the land across from me, they would have approached me ahead of time and said, 'We have this proposal that we would like to build this building in beside you and do you have any concerns?' (If they would have done that) I would have laid the whole business on the table."

The County's Commissioner, Harold Johnsrude, says that the building committee contacted all area residents.

"When we were proceeding with the plans, we made all efforts to contact all area residents," Johnsrude said. "I know, Tony Martins (the County's Assistant Commissioner) tried to personally contact Dwayne Berreth a number of times - but was not successful."

Berreth says he feels that his appeal may have been looked over, more-so because he didn't have the hired experts like the county had.

The County, in the building process, was required to hire experts to look at safety, environmental issues (including water), and other issues like traffic.

"I was stacked up against all the experts, and my tax dollars were paying their wages... It's not fair," Berreth said. "What can one man do, especially this time of the year. There is field

work that has to be done and what are you going to do?"

The County Council on the other hand is very happy with the news.

"We are very pleased that we can now move ahead," said Johnsrude. "The architect is now working on the detailed plans, the conceptual design of the building."

Johnsrude went on to say that the appellant, Berreth, did not have all the information, and that the County did do everything that was needed to after choosing that location.

The Appeal Board worked for many hours researching everything that was brought forward at the appeal, and according to the Appeal Board chairman Dave Smith, everything was taken into consideration.

"The board studied all the material it was given and they came to the conclusion they did based on that," said Smith.

"The county had the conditions met, especially the conditions that were being

appealed."

Smith felt that Berreth's concerns were all addressed.

"It was a big job for everyone," said Smith. "This

hearing was very involved and the board wanted to make sure every aspect of it was studied, and it was, and the decision was made."



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Didsbury Golf Club

- Ladie's League Meeting - Wed. April 21 at 7:30pm
- Men's League Meeting - Mon. April 26 at 7:00pm
- Senior's League Meeting - Wed. May 5 at 10:00am

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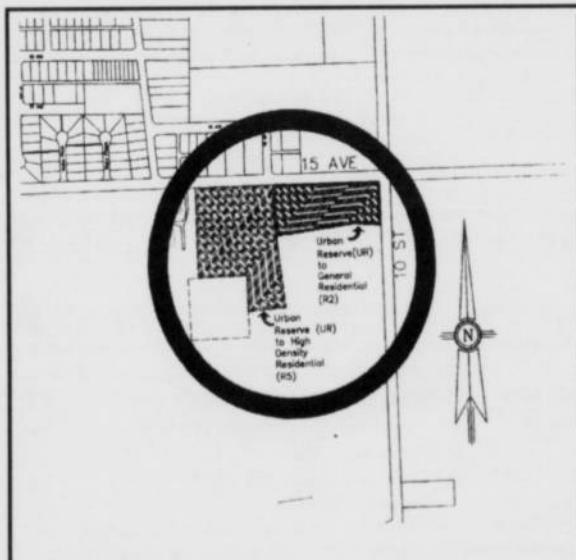
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PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN OF DIDSBURY LAND USE BY-LAW 00-08

Notice is hereby given that the Town Council of Didsbury has passed first reading of a By-law to amend the present Land Use By-law 00-08 Map Schedule A as follows:

1) That portion of land known as:

Ptn. of the SE ¼ Section 18, Township 31, Range 1, W5M
 be redesignated, as per the attached map, from the present UR
 (Urban Reserve) to R5 (High Density Residential) and R2
 (General Residential) with waivers.

A public hearing prior to second and third reading of the proposed By-law will be held, May 10, 2004, commencing at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Town of Didsbury Municipal Office, 2038-19 Avenue.

The hearing will be conducted under the chairmanship of the Mayor, or her designated person, for the purpose of hearing opinions and comments and/or objections to the proposed By-law.

The style of the hearing will be informal and persons wishing to speak will be requested to state their name and address for the record upon being recognized by the Chairman. Opportunities to speak will not be restricted, but recognition to speak will be at the discretion of the Chairman. Written responses will also be accepted up until 12:00 noon May 10, 2004.

The public may inspect a copy of the proposed Land Use By-law amendments at the Town of Didsbury Municipal Office, 2038-19 Avenue, during regular office hours 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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Robert Wigg
 Planning and Development Officer

Neighborhood

Rhonda Hunter's journey with the Town



photo by Tamara Collins

Rhonda Hunter sits outside the Didsbury Memorial Complex. In her 26 years working for the Town, the Complex she says, was one of the highlights.

by Tamara Collins

After 26 years of hard work and dedication, Rhonda Hunter decided to end her journey working for the Town of Didsbury and embark on a new journey.

"I want to acknowledge and thank all the community groups, service groups and sporting groups I had the good luck to work with," said Hunter. "They make a big difference."

Hunter started working with the Town as a lifeguard at the old Kinsmen Pool. She worked seasonally there until the pool closed in Sept. of 1991. During the off season at the pool Hunter would work for the

Town doing accounts payable, front desk, parks, etc.

During the year and a half the pool was closed, Hunter attended SAIT in Calgary. She then worked at the Calgary General Hospital for eight months.

The new Aquatic Center opened in Feb. of 1993. "The new pool was definitely a highlight," said Hunter. "The community made the right decision deciding to have it. The relocation of it, and all the plans for it were all very exciting."

Hunter became the Aquatic Supervisor in 1993 until 1995. In 1995 she became the Memorial Complex manager, which was a new position with the Town.

Finally in 2002 Hunter became the director of Community Services with the Town.

"The Town was really growing and the position was needed," said Hunter. "We talked as an administrative body and I decided to take the position." A big highlight for the community, after the opening of the new pool, was the water slide. Hunter had the idea for the Step Up and Slide program, which helped the Town raise the needed money for the slide. Everyone who donated to the slide now has a plaque with their name on it on one of the steps up the slide.

"The job always provided opportunity for creative ideas and

brainstorming," said Hunter. "The Step Up and Slide is an idea I am proud of. I always enjoyed using my creative juices to raise funds for the community's needs."

Other ideas of Hunter's that the community has adopted over the years are the outdoor theatre, the skateboard park, the Memorial Park, and the Make a Trial fund-raiser. "I remember standing and looking at the space where the outdoor theatre now is and brainstorming ideas of what it could be used for," said Hunter. "That is when the idea of the outdoor theatre just popped into my head." Hunter says she was paid to do the job, and she always needed councils' support to move forward with any ideas.

"Their support was very important," said Hunter. "They were like a sounding board for me, not all my ideas were good ones." Through her time with the Town, Hunter gained much valuable experience through government courses, and things she taught to others such as First Aid, Water safety, and Lifeguarding.

"I will stay in the industry of recreation and local government," said Hunter. "Timing was everything for me, and I knew I wasn't going to retire with the Town. I need to stand by my convictions and do things that are good for my life."

see "HUNTER" Page 18

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At The Kitchen Table

by
Noreen Olson

It is the middle of April and this morning's clock radio woke us with reports of accidents and collisions from Innisfail to Black Diamond. Six in the ditch between Carstairs and Calgary, some of them rollovers, five car pileups on the Calf Robe Bridge, semis jackknifed on overpasses and a traffic jam at the base of every hill.

This means that we are now in the seventh month of ice and snow and miserable roads. Yes, yes I admit that there were a few breaks in there when the ice was a bit less treacherous and the main roads were reasonably dry but since October there has been ice on the side roads and sidewalks, ice in the yards and corrals, ice in intersections and in great miserable ruts on parking lots. Everybody that I know has a horrible "skidding on ice" story and I am no exception.

When I was a child we lived on a farm, but in order to make ends meet Dad did several other things, blacksmithing, well drilling, logging in winter. In the early fifties, while dad was logging near Rocky Mountain House he had an accident that broke his leg in seven places. The next winter he was back in the bush again, but this time he was camp cook. He had a steel plate in his leg and was working on crutches. At about the same time Mom had a gallbladder operation and nearly died. The family decided that the time had come to move into town where life would be easier for Mom and we older kids could help out a bit. Mom was still in hospital so Marj, Allan, Ronny, and I rented a house in town and took over. The three younger kids were staying with nearby aunts and uncles.

Allan and Ronny owned a huge gravel truck and since we had a truck in the family this seemed like the logical way to accomplish the move. I don't remember much about the packing process but it must have gone fairly well. We didn't move any major appliances because the ones on the farm were not electric so we got all the beds, chairs, tables, clothes, sofa and pump organ etc. in one big load. Clothing and personal things were coming by car. My cousin Dott had come along to help and with Allan driving, Dott and I in the middle and Ronny on the outside we set out for Ponoka. It was December and very icy.

We had gone about 3 miles when we saw another truck coming toward us. Allan took his foot off the gas in order to slow down slightly, and in that moment the truck went out of control, careened sideways down the gravel road and went, still sideways, into the ditch and overturned.

An overturned gravel truck is not a pretty sight. Add to this a ditch full of furniture, several mattresses, a smashed pump organ and four stunned young people crawling out of the wreckage. We now have what appears to be a full blown disaster. An aunt and uncle with a load of clothes arrived while the wheels were still turning. The aunt, quite justifiably, had hysterics. A few minutes later a second uncle arrived to tell Allan that his father in law had died. Allan went off to town to be with his wife and send us some help.

It took a County grader to right the truck. He was plowing snow in the area so we didn't have to wait terribly long. We piled our wet, snowy, disheveled household effects back into the truck and went on to town. The only real disaster was the pump organ which finished life as a bookcase. By the time Mom got out of hospital and Dad came in from the camp we had cleaned, repaired and replaced most things and life went on. Mom got better, Dad's leg finally healed, they bought a lovely old house and filled it with unbroken furniture.

But once in a while, in a bad dream, I still see the underside of that big truck.

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by Noreen Olson

Olds Legion #105 April Notes

by Marge St. Clair

Entertainment

April 23 & 24 - Diamond Country April 30 - Phil Wayne Jam Session every Thurs. 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Activities

Every Mon. - Shuffleboard - 1:00 p.m.; Cribbage - 7:30 p.m. Every Wed. - Darts - 7:00 p.m.; Bingo - 7:15 p.m. Thursdays - Shuffleboard - 7:00 p.m.; Bridge - 7:30 p.m. Fridays - Meat Draws/ Horse Races - 5:30 p.m. Saturdays - Meat Draws/ Horse Races - 5:00 p.m. General Meeting & Ladies Aux. meetings Tues. April 27 at 7:30 p.m. Lounge & kitchen specials every day. Support your Legion as your Legion supports its community.

Didsbury Ag Society Notes

by Marge St. Clair

1. During the Trade Show, Vair Whitlow received the Rural Volunteer of the Year Award from the Town of Didsbury - a very deserving recipient. Congratulations!

2. A guest speaker has been booked for Wed. May 12. The topic focuses on Volunteers, other community volunteer organizations will be invited.

3. A report was given by the Bull Riding Comm.

4. Building Comm - Columbia Rail will demolish the Old barns (after the fire) and clean up the area. A report was also given on the work currently in progress at the new grounds.

5. A P.A. System will be applied for.

6. The Bench Fair Comm said the books will be ready for printing very soon.

7. 100 years - Connie would like to promote this 100th year of the original Ag Society, so plans will be drawn up.

8. A beach volleyball tournament is being planned for the Sat. of the Fair and Rodeo. To put in a team contact Ralene Papke.

9. The tractor pull is a go.

10. The tent needs to be moved to the Grounds. Next directors meeting May 5.



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AROUND THE CIRCLE

What's going on in Didsbury...

by Marge St. Clair

Sat. April 24

By now everyone, hopefully, has picked up their entry form for the chili cook off at the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church. There is also a silent auction. This all starts at 12:00 noon and all proceeds are to help Crystal Meredith who had to have very extensive surgery in Toronto.

Sat. April 24

Everyone is welcome to the Fun Casino night in the MP Room at the Complex doors open at 7:00 p.m., play starts at 7:30 p.m. Lunch is available, admission at the door. The Didsbury Elks will use all proceeds in their community projects. Contact Bill Ward 335-3307 re: tickets.

Sunday April 25

You are invited to the Annual Spring Roast Beef supper at St. Cyprian's Anglican Church Hall with 2 sittings, 5:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. Admission at the door.

Mon. April 26

The monthly meeting of St. Cyprian's A.C.W. will be held in the Church Hall at 7:30 p.m. (please note change of time). All ladies welcome.

Tues. April 27

Today the Community Bus will leave the 5-0 Centre at 9:30 a.m. taking the passengers to the Bronze Casting and Glass Blowing in Cochrane. Lunch at Smitty's, your cost. Please phone Bea 335-3058 or Gen 335-3449 to reserve your seat.

Tues. April 27

Dr. Nugent, foot specialist, will be at the 5-0 Centre from 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. No appointment necessary.

Wed. April 28

The Annual General meeting of the Didsbury Minor Hockey Assoc. will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Tournament Room at the Didsbury Golf Course. Election of Officers for the 2004-05 season and many other positions. All parents of minor league players most welcome. Questions? Phone Bonnie at 335-8222 for help.

Thurs. April 29

A pot luck supper will start at 5:00 p.m. at the 5-0 centre for all members of the floor curling league, the carpet bowling league and the lawn bowling league. The annual meeting of the Lawn Bowling Club will follow the supper. New residents of the town and district interested in taking up or learning more about these sports are most welcome to attend.

Friday April 30

Cribbage will start at 7:00 p.m.

at the 5-0 Centre, all are welcome to come and play. Coffee and goodies are served.

Sat. May 1

The Mountain View Housing Foundation have planned a garage sale with all proceeds for the Aspen Ridge Lodge in Didsbury. This will be held at the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church. More information and to have items picked up please phone Wayne 335-3008, Wendy 335-4051 or Sharon 335-4279. Seniors! Are you planning on moving? Donate your excess furniture and appliances for a good cause.

Sat. May 1

Knox United Church Women will hold their annual Spring Tea from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. in the C.E. Rooms. There will also be a bake table, white elephant table and hopefully a plant table. Everyone welcome.

If you would like to rent the 5-0 Club for an occasion please phone Bea at 335-3058 for the details.

Sun. May 2

Hymn Sing at the Carstairs Church of God at 7 p.m. Everyone

welcome.

Calling all teams or individuals anyone over age 16 years, to join the Didsbury Slo Pitch League. Practices are on Tues. & Thurs. nights at 6:30 p.m. or 8:00 p.m. until the League start up about May 24th long weekend and continues till the end of July. Fun for everyone. Call Tracy at 335-8928 for all the details.

Have you a daughter interested in playing Midget or Pee-Wee softball? Please phone Vickie 335-9900 for all the details.

Tues. May 11

The monthly breakfast of the Mountain View Christian Women's Club will be held from 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. at the Redeemer Lutheran Church Gym.

"New from Old". Special Feature - Bill Anthony. Art from Computer Parts. Special Speaker - Phyllis Webb Vermilion. Special Music - Victoria Snyder. Reservations will be taken by Deb at 337-2487 or Margie 335-3765. Free baby sitting is supplied by the Women's Club.

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The volunteers who received

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Plans heating up for chili cook-off benefit



Crystal Meredith

If organizers have it their way, the temperature in Didsbury should rise slightly this Saturday with the impending arrival of the **Chili Cook-Off Benefit** event they are planning at 12 noon for Crystel Meredith at the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church.

John Howard is just one of a group of about four individuals (Jack Feenstra, Linda Regner and Larry Hildebrand are also involved) from the community working to raise money to defray some of the medical costs the Meredith family has incurred since learning of the rare tumor detected in Crystel's brain.

The group hopes that proceeds from the Chili Cook-Off

being held this Saturday, April 24th, will help the family cope with some of the financial stress laid upon them recently. "This idea originally came about in the Men's Group at ZEM," explains John Howard. "We were going to use it as a fundraiser to help raise money for the gym at the Church...but then another donor stepped forward and we didn't need to hold the fundraiser for that purpose anymore...that's when Crystel's name came up in conversation and we decided to help the Meredith family out."

Admission into the Chili Cook-Off costs just \$15.00 which buys you the right to compete in a number of different "fun" categories. Special recognition will

be awarded in such areas as: Youth to age 18, Keenagers 55+, Hottest, Mildest, Most Unusual Ingredients, Traditional and People's Choice.

According to Howard anyone is eligible to enter so long as they use a minimum of two pounds of hamburger and have their masterpiece prepared in advance in a pot or use a crockpot or slow cooker. "You don't have to be an experienced cook to enter, and any variety of chili is fine...we'll take anyone with an interest in helping out the Merediths."

Of course if you'd rather not do the cooking yourself, you are welcome to come out and taste the chili first hand. "Our People's Choice award is based on votes cast by those coming out to

the event who simply want to taste the different kinds of chili," explains Howard. "All it costs is a loonie or a twoonie per bowl."

Directly following the Chili Cook-Off will be a Silent Auction with items harvested from businesses and organizations throughout the community. "We have anything from fishing rods to quilts, but are still in the process of collecting more goods this week." Anyone wishing to donate items towards the Silent Auction portion of the event is encouraged to contact anyone of the organizing members before Saturday. The Chili Cook-Off begins at 12 noon April 24th and lasts throughout the afternoon. Anyone wishing to enter is invited to call John Howard at 335-9155.

2nd annual Arbor Day searching for volunteers

Were you at last year's Arbor Fest in Didsbury?

If so, you probably remember all the fun there was to be had...the Drum Circle, the Arts and Crafts tables, the local community groups who turned out to sell hot dogs and pop, and of course, the commemorative tree that was planted just outside the Memorial Complex.

Organizers of this year's **Arbor Fest** - being held **Saturday, May 29th** in the park located in between the Didsbury Aquatic Centre and the playground area - have similar activities in mind (plus more, if

possible).

The only thing they are lacking is volunteers.

Stephanie Dodyk sits on the Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board (DEAB) and says there's more than enough work to go around by the five members her group has to draw from for an event such as Arbor Fest.

"We need volunteers to man some craft tables for us," explains Dodyk. "Last year we had such fun ideas - shakers, flags and bubbles for the kids to do. We'd like to do that again this year, but we need

some help."

In addition to individual help, Dodyk is appealing to any community groups who may be interested in running a non-profit fundraiser at the event. "Any group that would like to take over the sale of hot dogs, for example, would also be welcome."

Yet even with the shortage of volunteers, some companies have stepped forward to offer their supplies and support. "Sunpine Forest Products is donating a truckload of bark mulch, for example, and we're always looking for more..."

Dodyk says the tree will be placed in the garden directly in front of the Didsbury Aquatic Centre. Dodyk says other organizations have also been extremely helpful.

"The Didsbury Agricultural Society has donated their tables for use at the event and the Town of Didsbury has been so very supportive...we are really appreciative of all their help."

Anyone wishing to volunteer their time on Saturday, May 29th is encouraged to call Dodyk in advance at 335-9491. "There is no charge for the tables if someone is interested in manning one for the event."



Stephanie Dodyk

Celebrate National Poetry Month at the library



Inez Kosinski

Are you a fan of Canadian Poets like: George Elliott Clarke, Dennis Lee, Dave Bouchard or Michael Ondaatje? Do you enjoy listening to poetry readings?

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Reading on Wednesday, April 28th from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Librarian Inez Kosinski says the special event is being held in commemoration of National Poetry Month.

The individuals participating in the reading are actually part of a writer's collective from Calgary called "Wordweavers and Lifelines" who routinely meet to

write poetry and critique their work. "They're very good and it should be really enjoyable to sit and listen to some of the poetry they have been working on recently."

In addition to listening to the prose of others, Kosinski would like to use this occasion as an opportunity to invite others to share any poetry they may have written themselves. "I'm sure there

are some closet poets out there who are looking for a chance to read their poems to others and have their work heard." Anyone with poetry to share is invited to attend.

For more information about the Poetry Reading or Wordweavers and Lifelines, please contact the Didsbury Municipal Library at 335-3142 or drop by and speak to one of the staff.



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Bulling Around

Chris Pighin from Water Valley is participating in the Torrington Go-Fur Broke Bull & Bash held in Torrington on April 17. He had a no score. Pighin was riding Bandelero.

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR CANADIAN FARMERS

The Government of Canada is investing \$995 million to help farmers make the transition to the new Canadian Agricultural Income Stabilization (CAIS) program. The Transitional Industry Support Program (TISP) includes a direct payment to cattle producers and a general payment to all farmers.

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The direct payment to producers of cattle and other ruminants is a per head payment based on inventories of eligible animals as of December 23, 2003. Producers of cattle, bison, sheep, goats, elk and deer are eligible.

To apply, farmers need to complete a form reporting their inventory as of December 23, 2003. Payments will be made within 30 days of form receipt. Application forms are available online at www.agr.gc.ca/tisp or by calling 1-866-367-8506.

Note: Some program details may be subject to change.

General Transition Payment

Farmers will receive a payment based on their income history. Cheques will begin to be mailed in late April. Individuals, corporations, trusts, co-operatives and communal organizations reporting farming income (or loss) for 2002 for income tax purposes are eligible for the transition payment. Status Indians farming on a reserve are also eligible. Note: supply managed commodities are excluded.

NISA participants and producers who received a Risk Management Funding payment in the last two years will automatically receive a payment. Others must apply. Application forms are available online at www.agr.gc.ca/tisp or by calling 1-866-367-8506.

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Discover Didsbury on-line



Cary MacWilliams

by Tamara Collins

Everyone from anywhere can now discover Didsbury with just the click of a mouse. Local resident Cary MacWilliams launched a website all about Didsbury, on November 1, 2003.

"The original idea was to give Didsbury a strong on-line presence," said MacWilliams. "The Town and Chamber websites are really good, but I wanted to do something that has everything on it."

MacWilliams has a Masters degree in Philosophy and currently runs her own business, InSite Web Site Design, out of Didsbury.

"I still have so many

ideas for the site," said MacWilliams. "I want it to feature a lot of photography."

MacWilliams offers a free page on the site to any local community group.

"I want to offer people information in a permanent way," said MacWilliams. "It is also a way for people to get to know each other."

The site features pictures of local residents, and a brief summary of who they are. MacWilliams uses first names only for safety reasons.

The site also has a localized business directory.

"I take not only local businesses," said

MacWilliams, "But also businesses who are interested in doing business with Didsburians."

MacWilliams believes this site will help bring in more tourism money for the community.

"If people are looking to travel or relocate the first thing they do is check out websites of places," said MacWilliams. "They want to see shopping, restaurants and beautiful scenery."

MacWilliams has been designing websites for

approximately seven years. She taught Philosophy at the Athabasca University for 15 years. Creating websites was part of teaching for her. Then in 1999 she decided to start her own website design business.

"Once I had a man from Hong Kong contact me to use something I did on philosophy," said MacWilliams. "It was the neatest thing that has ever happened to me. He found my work through the internet."

The Discover Didsbury website will continue to change with the times. MacWilliams has many ideas for the site such as an on-line registry for people who need to commute to Calgary.

"I definitely want to see more youth involvement," said MacWilliams. "I want this to be a true community resource that offers a really detailed picture of what is going on in Didsbury."

Fun, beautiful, and informative are the three things MacWilliams

wants the website to be.

"I would love to have a web cam that shows what is happening in Didsbury all the time," said MacWilliams. "I would just have to choose the location very carefully." Another idea MacWilliams has for the site is doing a password protected page that features graduation pictures she will take. Students will be given the password, and they can go on-line and download the pictures.

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WEST DIDSBURY NEWS

District Heifer Show on May 22

by Lindley Hrabok

February and March were very busy months for our club and in April we are busy preparing for all the shows in May.

Remember if you are interested in purchasing a steer at the Carstairs Steer Show May 26th, contact Mr. Doug Miller.

In February we held our Public Speaking. Triona Richmond and Sarah Braun advanced for seniors, Rebecca Scheidt and Will Hadway advanced for intermediates and Madison Kimmel and Nicole Miller advanced for juniors. Triona Richmond gradually became alternate at the District Level.

Dayna Hadway and Cassandra Hrabok competed at Provincials for public speaking presentation.

On February 14th, our club participated in Regional Judging in Olds. Westway Farms held their annual Bull Sale on March 13 and asked our club to cater.

We also helped take admission at the Didsbury Trade Show on April 3rd and 4th.

During Easter holidays we held our monthly meeting and many members participated in grooming clinics.

May 8th was our Club Heifer Show followed by the District Heifer Show on May 22 and 4-H on Parade May 28th and 29th.

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Didsbury Lacrosse Club

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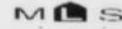
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"My wife is and always has been my number one supporter," Marz said, explaining that Jan usually travels around to different meetings, dinner functions, and often acts as his driver between the local constituency and Edmonton so Marz can catch up on his sleep. "My daughter and my son and their families, as well as the local constituency association have been very big supporters of mine, (as well)."

Marz says that choosing to run for government has been a very rewarding experience that he enjoys, but it is a big decision which at times causes him to miss family functions.

"Public life is a big decision. You're basically on call seven days a week, 24 hours day and you're responsible to your local constituents on a whole host of topics all of the time."

Marz says that his family have accepted that he can't always attend family functions, and for that he values their support. "(This job) is important to me and to my family. It's not just a commitment for (just) myself, but also for my entire family. My little grandson often says, 'Does Papa always have to work?'"

Marz says that he is aging and getting near the age where most people are starting to consider retirement, but says he has too many goals and just too much energy to step aside now.

"I seem to enjoy the fast paced lifestyle. If I ever get a day off I am often pacing the floor and feel guilty, almost, for doing nothing," Marz said.

The committees:

Every MLA sits on a number of committees, aside from being part of the governments caucus.

Marz is the Chairman of the Labor Review Committee who have actually just tabled their report, which they have been working on endlessly for about the past two years.

Marz is also a committee member to the Heritage Savings Trust fund, public accounts committee, as well as sitting on a variety of small Ad-Hoc committees.

These committees are extra work, on top of attending regular caucus meetings and talking with locals in the Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills constituency.

Marz honoured to win by acclamation:

This will be Marz's third election that he

will be seeking re-election, yet the first time he has ever won the local PC parties nomination by acclamation.

"I view it as a validation of the work I have done, and it shows that most people must be happy with the work I have done for them," Marz said. "I have never been acclaimed before, so it's kind of nice to see the endorsement and see that people feel confident enough to support me."

Boundaries changing, slightly:

Marz's constituency boundaries will be changing somewhat prior to the next election, which will see him representing approximately 33,000 Albertans.

Marz will be losing the M.D. of Bighorn area as well as a small section of Mountain View County north of the corridor line and West of Highway 22.

He will, however, be gaining east of Highway 21 and south of Highway 27, which includes the Carbon area right down to the Drumheller boundary (but not including the Town of Drumheller).

Marz didn't comment on when the Provincial election was expected to be called.



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Outlaws 4H

by Rheanna Welland
and Ines Niemann

On March 8, 2004, the Didsbury Outlaws had their monthly meeting. We discussed: 4H on Parade is on May 28, 29 & 30 at the Calgary Stampede Grounds, highway clean up is on May 1, and the C.E. Fun Day at Camp Evergreen is on April 24.

District Horse Show is at the Olds Pavilion on May 16. 4H Rodeo at the Didsbury Rodeo grounds is on August 22.

This part of the season is extremely busy for the Outlaws for all of our events and weekly rides.

Sorry we were late on the March News Report.

On April 12 we had yet another meeting. We discussed our final achievement activities as well as our theme for our stall decorations at 4H on Parade.

Oh yes, how could we forget, Highway cleanup on May 1, so please watch out for the busy 4H members as we clean up the environment.

Next meeting is on May 10 at our Ride.



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Prairie Partners 4-H multi shift into high gear

by Nikki Durstling

Show and sales are just around the corner and Prairie Partners are well on their way. The horse members are galloping full speed ahead with many rides completed and many more booked. In fact, as we speak, we are in the midst of Lynn's annual Easter riding camp, this week at Lost Lake Ranch arena. Our riding instructor has everyone riding with balance and finesse. We are looking forward to our Mock Show May 2, and our District Horse Show in Olds May 16 and 4-H on Parade May 28.

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See once this truth is established we can then have the absolute truth by which to live in order to avoid the consequences which come from disobedience. Our societal laws need to be based on these laws in order to avoid the consequences that come from not following them. As a society we are already experiencing many of these consequences, and, as we continue to move away from the laws that the Creator has put into place, we will face more and more of them. If this society will not obey the laws of the Creator, it will go as so many other nations in history that have disobeyed have gone. We will see increasing violence, unrest, dissatisfaction and a lack of the very thing that we are wanting - love, peace and security. I am writing this not to try to impose a view, but rather to awaken people to the reality of what is happening and give a choice to improve our society by following the Creator's direction so that we can truly enjoy love, peace and security.

Respectfully submitted by
Erhard Hermann
Didsbury, Alberta

30th. The Beef members have made it through the grooming and clipping clinic as well as the Mock Show at the Olds Cow Palace April 14. That means all that hard work and many hours of teaching the beef to lead (push and shove) around the

yard has paid off. Preparations for the steer show on May 26 at the Carstairs arena and 4-H on Parade are well underway.

While in other news, a congratulations to Conrad White who advanced onto District

Public speaking at the Olds College and to Kagen Laut and Nikki Durstling who achieved alternate.

A huge thanks to all club members and everyone who helped out with the battery fundraiser. On Friday March

26, members and parents loaded and shipped 4 trailer loads of batteries into Calgary from Brayden and Conrad's farm. Thank you to all, your help has paid off in a big way. Other fund-raising functions to come will include catering to

the Elks Cash Raffle and a wedding in August. Our club also sold Olds Grizzly raffle tickets before Christmas. Till next report, wishing all members continued success with your projects and remember, We still love Alberta Beef.



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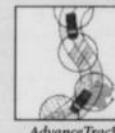
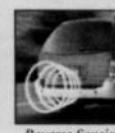
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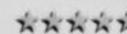
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QUESTION: Are there times when good, loving parents don't like their own kids very much?

DR. DOBSON: Yes, just as there are times in a good marriage when husbands and wives don't like each other for a while. What you should do in both situations is hang tough. Look for ways to make the relationship better, but never give up your commitment to one another. That is especially true during your child's teen years, when the person you see will be very different in a few years. Wait patiently for him or her to grow up. You'll be glad you did.

QUESTION: I majored in education at a state university and I was taught that children will provide their own motivation to learn if we give them an opportunity to do so. My professors favored a "student-led" classroom instead of one that depends on strong leadership from the teacher. The children will then want to learn rather than being forced to learn. Do you see it that way?

DR. DOBSON: I certainly agree that we should try to motivate kids to work, study and learn. They'll enjoy the process more and retain the information longer if their motivation comes from within. So I think your professors are right in saying that we should capitalize on students' natural interest whenever we can. But it is naive to believe that any educational program can generate that kind of interest in every subject and sustain it for a majority of students day in and day out. That is not going to happen. Kids need to learn some things that may be boring to them, such as math or grammar, whether they choose to or not.

A former superintendent of public instruction in the state of California reacted to the notion that children have a natural interest in everything adults think they should know. He said: "To say that children have an innate love of learning is as muddleheaded as to say that children have an innate love of baseball. Some do. Some don't. Left to themselves, a large percentage of the small fry will go fishing, pick a fight, tease the girls, or watch Superman on the TV. Even as you and I."

This educator was right. Many students will not invest one more ounce of effort in their studies than is required, and that fact has frustrated teachers for hundreds of years. Our schools, therefore, must have enough structure and discipline to require certain behavior from children whether or not they have a natural interest in the subject being taught.

QUESTION: In one of your early books you talked about something you gave to your daughter that symbolized the importance of moral purity. Describe it again.

DR. DOBSON: Many years ago Shirley and I gave our daughter a small gold key. It was attached to a chain worn around her neck and represented the key to her heart. She made a vow to give that key to one man only — the one who would share her love through the remainder of her life. You might consider a similar gift for your daughter or a special ring for your son. These go with them throughout adolescence and provide a tangible reminder of the lasting, precious gift of abstinence until marriage, and then fidelity to the mate for life. I still recommend this approach enthusiastically.

QUESTION: Our teenage daughter has become extremely modest in recent months, demanding that even her sisters leave her room when she's dressing. I think this is silly, don't you?

DR. DOBSON: No. I would suggest that you honor her requests for privacy. Her sensitivity is probably caused by an awareness that her body is changing, and she is embarrassed by recent developments (or the lack thereof). This is likely to be a temporary phase, and you should not oppose her in it.

Seven members met at the home of Lila Kurtz on April 12th/04 at 1:30 p.m. We sang "Springtime in the Rockies" followed by our creed & flag salute.

Roll call was Ideas for a Field Trip. We will take the Community Bus Trip to Reynolds Museum in Wetaskiwin on April 20th with our husbands & friends.

Objective was 21¢ for A.C.W.W. & we recorded 165 hours for W.I.

Minutes were read & corrected. Lila Kurtz & Eva Page will do the Hospital/Lodge visit for April.

Our Quilt Blocks have been appliqued & several members will do the embroidery on them. Correspondence was the presidents newsletter. A letter from the President elect in which they reminded us of the Convention in Red Deer on June 8, 9 & 10th. A.N.A.F.T.A. water resolution which we signed & reminders to send our handicraft for Provincial competition - Pat Van Tetering will enter her handicraft & will be our delegate &

either June Lore or Eva Page. A donation will be sent to Midway School for the use of the school for our card parties. Conference report was given 5 members were able to attend.

Elsie Brander gave her Education report. She chose "Easter

the Season of Hope & Promise". Easter is an old English name meaning Goddess of Spring, even before Jesus lived it was celebrated. Easter Sunday falls between Mar. 22 & April 25. After 40 days of Lent ending with Good Friday.



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NEIGHBORHOOD

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Hunter is unsure if she will remain in Didsbury, or move away to experience life elsewhere. She will start looking for a new job in May.

"Didsbury will always be my community, my home, my base," said Hunter. "Looking at all the opportunities out there is comforting though."

Hunter was born and raised in Didsbury, and this is the place she has raised her two children.

"My dad's death had a big effect on me," said Hunter. "He is now my guardian angel, and I know he would have supported whatever decision I made."

Hunter believes her 26 years with the Town have been very rewarding, and she will miss the people the most.

"I am proud of what I have done for the community," said Hunter. "I was always consistent, every group deserves the same fair treatment."

Discover

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"This is a creative channel for me" said MacWilliams. "I really enjoy the feedback I get."

Two young men from Didsbury High School presently write for the site. This is to help Didsbury get a better idea of the way young people think.

"This website is all about opportunity," said MacWilliams. "There were churches in town that wanted an internet presence but they didn't have the resources. This was a great opportunity for them."

The website features a church page that lists the names and locations of the local churches and what time services are.

The page also features a place for lost cats and dogs. If you have lost your pet you can have it listed on this page.

"There is a lot of potential here for building a better community," said MacWilliams. "This is a great way to really show off our town."

You can visit the website at www.discover-didsbury.com.

Council was always behind everything I have done. I worked for the community. You do what do you because you are proud of it, not for the money."

As for the future of

the Town, Hunter says they have great people working for them.

"There is great staff at the pool," said Hunter. "Front line staff make all the difference, and the Town

has some great people working up front."

Since her time working with the Centennial Planning Committee, Hunter believes they are on the right track in their focus to bring

community spirit back.

"I look forward to the centennial celebrations next year," said Hunter. "I will miss very much working with the different groups, but I can always volunteer with them."

Hunter is planning on staying involved in the community as long as she is here.

"It was a great 26 years," said Hunter. "And I will have no regrets."

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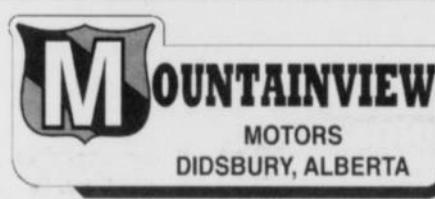
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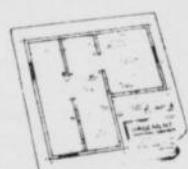
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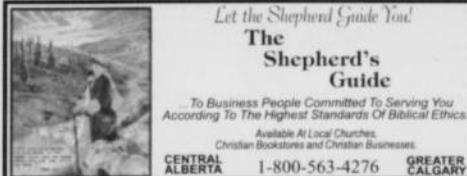
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BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Jeff Miller and Lindsay Volker are very proud to announce the birth of their son, Zack Robert Miller on March 19, 2004. Thrilled to be his grandparents are Bill and Brenda Miller, Didsbury, AB and Joe and Nan Volker, Didsbury, AB.

WEDDINGS

Peter & Doreen Sawatzky are pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of their youngest daughter, Teresa Dawn to Alex Bethlehem on May 15th, 2004 at the 1st Assembly Church in Calgary at 1:00 p.m. Marriage celebration to be held at Lone Pine Hall, Didsbury on May 16th, 2004 from 1-4 p.m. God Bless Teresa, Alex & Jordan as they continue to reside in Calgary.

CARDS OF THANKS

A big thank you goes out to the Didsbury Fire Dept., Didsbury EMS, RCMP, the Olds Fire Dept., neighbors, friends and family for all the support and kindness given to us at the time of our house fire. Your prayers and concern for us are very much appreciated. Also thank you to Mrs. Beth Kope for phoning 911. May God Bless you.

John & Mary Lee Kohut

We would like to give a huge thank you to all our family, friends and Bill's boss and all the guys from Precision Drilling for all the help offered, phone calls, visits, flowers & cards when Bill was hospitalized and after he came home. We are forever grateful for all our wonderful friends & family. Thanks again.

Bill & Diane Conley

Thanks to everyone who sent cards, flowers and brought goodies, and to all those who visited Cliff & I after the loss of my sister Helen Klinck. Your expressions of sympathy are greatly appreciated.

Bessie & Cliff Eckstrand.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Susan M Dube wishes to thank all who were so considerate of Susan during her illness. The visitations and cards she received at the hospital were greatly appreciated by her and her family. We wish to especially thank Dr. Verbaech and the nursing staff of the acute and palliative care unit at the Didsbury Hospital for the dedicated and personal care Susan received while in their care. A thank you also to all who brought food to the house, to pastor Rob for officiating at Susan's memorial, and to the ladies of the Redeemer Lutheran Church for the lovely luncheon. A special thanks to the soloist Monika and the organist Lori Reiffenstein. We appreciate all the prayers and concerns for our loving wife and mother. A grateful thank you to you all. Thank you kindly.

Bob, Daryl, Trevor, Rob and families.

OBITUARY

DONALD HENRY FLEURY - Don Fleury, beloved husband of Jean Fleury passed away in Cranbrook Regional Hospital on March 31, 2004, after a lengthy illness at the age of 78 years. Don is survived by his loving wife Jean, children Judy & Dennis Hall, Linda Regnier, Dianne & Bill Blakely, nine grandchildren, Sean (Tracy) Regnier, Bryan (Stephanie) Hall, Lisa (Doug) Neufeld, Rhonda Regnier, Mykal Cushing, Reta, Erica, Elizabeth & Earl Blakely; nine great grandchildren, Matthew, Jacob and Sadie Hall, Jacob and Eryk Regnier, Brayden Cushing, Grace Pearson, Mackenzie and Nathan Neufeld. Don is also survived by a brother Jack and wife Betty, sister Jean and husband Bud, brothers-in-law Laurie and Allan Adams and several nieces and nephews. Don was predeceased by his mother and father Reta and Jack Fleury. Don was born in Didsbury, AB on December 2nd, 1925. He served three years in the R.C.A.F. during the 2nd World War. Upon his discharge he met Jean and they were married in 1947 in Dawson Creek. They moved to Didsbury, AB where Don managed the family Flour and Feed Mill. In 1953 the family moved to McBride, BC where Don owned and operated a hardware store. In 1961 they returned to Dawson Creek where he owned and operated a recreation centre. Don and Jean semi-retired to Cranbrook in 1979, where he found tremendous fulfillment working at F.W. Green Home. With Don's creativity, he grew beautiful flower gardens, built lovely oak furniture and personalized name plates for the residents. He loved the elderly and enjoyed being around them. Don was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, uncle and friend. He touched all of our lives in a special way and will be missed. We will hold him close in our hearts forever. There was a memorial service on Monday April 5th in the United Church at 2:00 p.m. with Pastor Jack Lindquist officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family invites donations to: F.W. Green Home or Hungry For Life, c/o Dr. Robert Cutler, Green Medical Clinic, in Don's name.

JOHN (JACK) STATHAM - John (Jack) Statham passed away on April 9, 2004 (Good Friday) at the Peter Lougheed Center in Calgary at the age of 88 years. Jack was born September 14, 1915 in Lymn, Cheshire, England. He attended school at Ruabon, Wales for 6 years before coming to Canada in 1926 with his mother Margaret and stepfather Robert Williams. Jack married Daisy Cameron on July 2, 1935 and together they celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary prior to Daisy's passing. He joined the RCA in 1938 and spent 6 years overseas during WWII, serving in France, Holland, Belgium and Germany. He was a lifetime member of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch #53. He purchased the farm at Carstairs in 1948 and spent most of his years working the land. He also worked for the CPR in Calgary during the 50's and 60's. Jack is survived by his children, Jean (Sid) Postlethwaite of Ashern, MB, Jack (Diane) of Rimley, AB, Dennis (Jo-Ann) of Calgary, AB, Anita (Barry) McGrath of Calgary, AB, and Brenda (Douglas) Parker of Sardis, BC; by 16 grandchildren; by 32 great grandchildren; as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins in Canada and England. Jack was predeceased by his wife Daisy in September of 1993, by an infant son Duncan, by his brother Joe, by his half-brothers Tecwyn and Melvin, by his step-brother Ivor, by his sister Lucy, and by his half-sisters Elsie and Lynn. Funeral Services were held at the Carstairs United Church, Wednesday, April 14, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. with Reverend Sung Chul Choi officiating. Interment followed at the Carstairs Cemetery. Donations in Jack's memory may be made to the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #53, or the Salvation Army. Arrangements entrusted to Mountain View Funeral Chapel, Didsbury.

COWAN - William Haig (Bill) Cowan passed away in the Didsbury Hospital on April 13th, 2004 at the age of 86. He is survived by his loving wife Muriel; daughter Colleen (Bruce) Weberg of Eagle River, Ontario; grandson Kevin McLaughlin of Calgary; granddaughter Teresa McLaughlin of Surrey, BC; daughter Vana Morrison and grandsons Cory and Darcy Cowan-Morrison all of Didsbury; sister Marie Ludlow of Grandora, Saskatchewan; and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his mother and father, Mary and Samuel Cowan; brother Calvin Donahue; sisters, Nora Kirk and Agnes Brown; and two sons, William James in 1946; and Calvin James in 1982. Bill was born on August 17, 1917 in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan where he attended school and had a paper route for the Star Phoenix for many years. After completing high school, he worked for Lehrer's Department Store. He later transferred to Prince Albert where he met Muriel Moore while coaching a ladies ball team. They were married in Saskatoon on December 25th, 1939. Bill's love of flying was fulfilled by joining the Royal Canadian Air Force as a Commissioned Officer in 1942, serving as a flight instructor during WWII. After leaving the Air Force in 1946, Bill obtained his Civilian Commercial Pilot's Certification to fly transport planes. Bill and Muriel moved to Regina in 1946 where their son William and daughters Colleen and Vana were born. At this time, Bill was working for the Saskatchewan Co-Op as a sales representative. In 1952, the family, including Muriel's sister Grace and son Jim Hadley, moved to Didsbury where Bill owned and operated the John Deere dealership. In 1954 son Calvin was born. Grace worked at the dealership until she remarried in 1955. That same year, Bill accepted the Ford Motor Co. franchise. In 1956, Muriel's brother Sam Moore, moved his family to Didsbury and became a partner in the now Cowan and Moore Sales and Service Ltd. Sam and Doris moved to Vulcan in 1970. In 1972, Vana became part of the team in the accounting department with Cal coming on board as an apprentice mechanic in 1973. After 37 years as a family run business, Bill retired in 1989. Bill was Superintendent of United Church Sunday School from 1955 to 1965 and on the board of trustees from 1965 to 2004. Everyone in Didsbury will remember the Rambler Hockey Club, which Bill coached from 1952-1964. He also coached the Juveniles for several years. Bill was chairman of Didsbury and District Hospital Board from 1958-1967 and then again from 1991-1994. He was also a founding member of the Rosebud Health Foundation in 1996. Bill and Muriel were members of the Royal Canadian Legion, Didsbury Branch (106) from 1955-1995 and transferred to the Red Deer Branch (35) in 1995. Bill was a member of the King Hiram Masonic Lodge from 1955-2004 and served as Master of the lodge in 1964. He was also involved with the Didsbury and District Chamber of Commerce from 1953-2004. He was co-chair of the 1999 Olds/Didsbury Alberta Seniors Games. Bill taught Vana and Cal to fly in 1975, and at that time, they bought a Cessna 172, GWGG. Bill was Chairman of the Didsbury Airport Commission from 1977-1987, which also led to him being a Founding Life Member of the Olds/Didsbury Flying Association. At the time of his passing, Bill still held his Private Pilot's License with over 2,700 logged hours. Bill was a kind, loving and quiet person who did more for others than he did for himself. He will be deeply missed. In keeping with Bill's wishes, a private family service will be held. Memorial donations may be made directly to the Rosebud Health Foundation, Box 962, Didsbury, Alberta, T0M 0W0.

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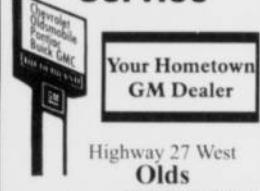
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Birthday

Family and friends are invited to celebrate Alvina Wolf's 75th birthday. Open House will be held April 25th, 2004 at the Spruce View Community Center from 2 - 5 p.m.

Group

The Cremona Parent & Tots Group is going strong and we would like you to join us! We meet every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. in the Cremona Congregational Church Basement. For more info contact Doreen at 637-0182.

CARSTAIRS

RECYCLING DEPOT

Carstairs Lion's Recycling Depot is open every Saturday from 9 a.m. - 12:20 p.m.

CARSTAIRS TOPS

Take off Pounds Sensibly at the Church of God on Monday nights 7 - 8 p.m. For further information call Jean 637-3753, Shelly 337-3082 or Kim 946-4997.

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COMMUNITY CRISIS SOCIETY

Are you experiencing family violence? Please call the Crisis Shelter at 1-877-934-6634.

CHAMPS

"NEW" Canadian Weight Awareness - CHAMPS Clubs Inc. is a Non-Profit Weight Loss Support Organization which meets weekly. We are open to Men and Ladies whom share a common concern of managing their weight. For more info about CHAMPS CLUB INC. call today 1-866-444-7682.

DIDSBURY MUSEUM

New Fall hours: Tues., Wed., Thurs., 12:30-4:30. Saturday: 1-5 p.m., special occasions & anytime by appointment. Please call Dale Weiss at 335-4723 or Willard Stauffer at 335-3715.

SPECIAL FAMILIES RESOURCE ASSOCIATION

Support for families/caregivers of special needs children. Meetings held 1st and 3rd Thurs. of every month in the Didsbury Hospital in the Educational Conference Room at 7 p.m. For more information contact Cindy at 335-4123.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Didsbury Chamber of Commerce meets every 2nd Thursday. Once a month. For more info please call 335-3265.

DIDSBURY TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Stacey at 335-4487 or Rosemary 335-2835.

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board meets once every month at the Town Office. For info call the Town Office 335-3391.

HALL WALKING

Adult hall walking at Westglen from 6:45 a.m. Monday to Thursday. Keep fit this winter.

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Growing Opportunities

"GO" is a Canada Prenatal Nutrition Program that offers services to pregnant women and teens. Staff are on site every second Friday. 335-7292.

National Poetry Month

April 28, 7-9 pm. Join "Wordweavers and Lifelines" writers group for listening, enjoying, inquiring and sharing original poetry at the Didsbury Library.

Didsbury & District Community Bus

Bronze Casting & Glass Blowing. Tues. Apr. 27, cost \$16. Lunch at Smitty's (your cost) Bus leaves 5-0 Club @ 9:30. Please call Bea 335-3058 or Gen 335-3449.

ONGOING EVENTS

DIDSBURY

BEAVER'S

Beaver's Monday 7 - 8 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

TOY LIBRARY

Child & Youth Clubs of Didsbury Toy Library. (Closed for the Summer) the Anglican Church Hall basement 2037 - 24 Ave. New members always welcome. Kerm at 335-9928.

AA

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. Fridays 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury, 20 Ave. and 21 St. For information call Wendy at 335-3877 or Rick at 335-9525.

TIME OUT

Child & Youth Clubs of Didsbury's Mom's Time Out and Dads Too program. At Anglican Church Hall, Mondays 10-11:30 a.m. Nominal babysitting fee. Call 335-8183 or 335-9903 for more information.

KING HIRAM LODGE

King Hiram Lodge #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month.

O.E.S. MEETING

St. Hilda Chapter #27 O.E.S. has its regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Kay Johnston at 335-4060.

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Gamblers Anonymous (G.A.) starting Monday, January 22 from 7 - 9 p.m. in the Assembly Room at the Hospital Unit 4. For more information please call 335-8208.

SONS OF NORWAY

Sons of Norway meets the 4th Monday of every month at 8 p.m. at Evergreen Centre in Olds. All welcome. Call 556-2401 or 337-2037 for more information.

CASH BINGO

Didsbury Elks Cash Bingo every Tuesday. Doors open 6:00 p.m., Nickel Bingo at 6:45. Regular Bingo at 7:30 p.m. Didsbury Elks Hall.

DIDSBURY PRESCHOOL

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5-0 Club Hall Rentals

For hall rentals &/or info regarding the hall please call Bea Niedersteiner 335-3058.

WESTCOTT

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NEIGHBORHOOD

Chamber Chat

The Chamber of Commerce will continue to highlight its members following a very successful showcase of our business community at the annual Trade Show.

At our April 22nd meeting, we will reintroduce our "Mem-

ber Spotlight", giving Chamber members an opportunity to gain exposure for their products or services by addressing others at our monthly general meetings. "This business spotlight not only gives businesses a chance to let others know more about their

operation," says Chamber Chair Penny Lind, "but also provides a perfect environment for networking and the development of new business contacts."

Guest speakers for the next meeting include Didsbury's Planning and Development Officer,

Robert Wigg and CAO Brian Irvine, who will present an overview of residential and commercial developments ongoing and proposed for Didsbury. In addition, Roy Brassard, Chairman of the Chinook's Edge School Board, will provide an update on the

progress of the new Didsbury High School. Gord Leeson will also be in attendance to give members a look at the Morris Meadows residential development. Each of these new features in Didsbury will affect our members and the business community in general.

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